

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 PRETOR 03897 111131Z
ACTION AF-10

INFO OCT-01 IO-14 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-02
INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 PA-02 SP-02 SS-15 NSCE-00
SSO-00 ICAE-00 INRE-00 HA-05 OMB-01 TRSE-00 EB-08
AID-05 /083 W
-----086443 111133Z/14

O 111040Z JUL 78
FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1696
INFO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS PRETORIA 3897

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINT, SF, WA NAMIBIA:
SUBJECT: BOTHA'S REMARKS ON POSSIBLE SANCTIONS

1. THE FOLLOWING REPORT APPEARED IN THE RAND DAILY MAIL OF

JULY 11: QUOTE. THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT WOULD FACE THE PROBLEM OF INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION SIMILAR TO THAT IN RHODESIA AND SOUTH WEST AFRICA, IN THE FUTURE, MR. PI BOTHA, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, PREDICTED LAST NIGHT. ADDRESSING OVER 500 STUDENTS DURING THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ANNUAL AFRIKAANSE STUDENTEBOD CONGRESS IN BLOEMFONTEIN LAST NIGHT, BOTHA SKETCHED A POSSIBLE FUTURE SCENARIO IN SWA AND UNDERLINED THE IMPLICATIONS FOR SOUTH AFRICA. EVERYTHING DEPENDED ON WHETHER THE WESTERN POWERS WERE ABLE TO SELL THEIR PROPOSALS FOR A SWA SETTLEMENT TO SWAPO AT THE CURRENT TALKS IN LUANDA, MR. BOTHA SAID. SOUTH AFRICA ACCEPTED THE PROPOSALS ON APRIL 25 THIS YEAR. MR. BOTHA SAID SWAPO WOULD BE WELCOME TO RETURN AND PARTICIPATE IN PEACEFUL ELECTIONS - BUT HE ALSO INDICATED WHAT SOUTH AFRICA'S RESPONSE WOULD BE IF SWAPO DID NOT ACCEPT THE PROPOSALS. "IF SWAPO HESITATES MUCH LONGER, OR SETS ANY MORE CONDITIONS TO THE ORIGINAL PROPOSALS, SA WILL

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 PRETOR 03897 111131Z

TAKE IT THAT SWAPO HAS REJECTED THE PROPOSALS," HE SAID. SKETCHING THE POSSIBLE EVENTS THAT WOULD FOLLOW A SWAPO REJECTION, MR. BOTHA SAID THERE WAS STRONG LIKELIHOOD THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD BE UNABLE TO ACCEPT THEM, AND THAT AN INDEPENDENT SWA WOULD FORFEIT INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION. THIS COULD LEAD TO SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION AGAINST SA, WHICH WOULD BE REGARDED AS A

COLONIAL POWER IN SWA, HE SAID. END QUOTE.

2. BOTHA SPOKE OFF THE CUFF AND A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT
OF THE MINISTER'S REMARKS ARE NOT AVAILABLE. EDMONDSON

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: POLITICAL SETTLEMENT, SPEECHES, SANCTIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 11 jul 1978
Decapton Date: 01 jan 1960
Decapton Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 jan 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978PRETOR03897
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780283-0324
Format: TEL
From: PRETORIA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780774/aaaackfi.tel
Line Count: 66
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: c7efce77-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29 mar 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2050999
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: BOTHA'S REMARKS ON POSSIBLE SANCTIONS
TAGS: PINT, PDEV, SF, WA, (BOTHA, PIK)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkvgwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/c7efce77-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014